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Mission

Nurses at the NIH Clinical Center support an intramural research program by partnering with patients in support of their participation in clinical research.

Nurses implement and coordinate scientific protocols and conduct independent and collaborative research.

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Outstanding Nurses

T*he Nursing and Patient Care Services department celebrates Nurses' Day on May 9, 2002. More than 700 nurses at NIH are committed to fulfilling the unique needs of the Clinical Center. They provide the link between the 18 intramural research programs and the patients. Whether assisting patients through the maze of research protocols or managing the data, these nurses provide consistency within the Clinical Center.*

We are proud to recognize our nurses for their tireless contributions to NIH's mission. Their expertise and education promote our ability to expand health care by providing the professionalism and creativity that is vital to new discoveries. We thank them for their commitment to our patients, our research and our unique mission.

We invite you to read through the following pages as we introduce the Outstanding Nurses of 2002 at the NIH Clinical Center, who were nominated by their peers.

2-East Nursing Staff

The 2-East nursing staff says there is great teamwork on the unit. There is great diversity and support for one another. The staff has a lot of humor on a unit that sees complex medical problems. On Y2K night the unit station was a hub of activity. Nurses strapped headlights to bed-pans and walked around, just in case. They say they had a lot fun.

Kim Klapec

2-J Surgical Intensive Care Unit

Working in the Surgical Intensive Care Unit allows Kim to focus on one or two patients at a time, which she likes. She follows them from the beginning of their care until they're discharged. Kim says it's a challenging position, but very rewarding. Kim is one of the "premier nurses" on the 2-J Surgical Intensive Care Unit, according to her colleagues. She is recognized as a "leader and teacher to all."

Leslie Wehrle

2-West

Leslie says she always wanted to be in the medical profession, which is why she became a nurse more than 3 years ago. She says being a nurse lets her work with patients who are going through tough times and she tries to make those times a little better. According to Leslie's colleagues, after coming to the NIH as a cancer intern, she "quickly rose to a position of prominence on their unit." They say Leslie is a "role model for primary nursing."

Amy Kamble

2-West Bone Marrow Transplant

Nine and a half months straight—that's how long a patient was on Amy's unit after having a bone marrow transplant. He was not expected to survive and failed all of his primary therapies. Then, an unplanned protocol was given to him and he is now expected to survive. Amy is convinced that he would not have survived anywhere else other than NIH. According to Amy's peers, she "encompasses qualities that help make nursing at the Clinical Center exceptional."

3-Outpatient (Dental) Nursing Staff

The nursing staff on 3-Outpatient works with a diverse group of patients; most are children and young adults who are nervous about surgery. The research is always changing. They agree that being in a research facility gives them more time with patients, which is more enjoyable.

Celene Chua

3-Outpatient

Supportive and awesome are the words one patient used to describe Celene. The patient was suffering from peritoneal cancer and had to undergo aggressive chemotherapy. The patient simply wanted to quit. But with Celene's encouragement, the patient made it through her ordeal. Celene's peers say she is one of the "hardest working nurses on the unit." They say, "when a task seems too difficult to tackle, it is given to Celene, because she always knows how to handle it."

Nancy Day

3-East

Nancy has worked as a nurse for 40 years with 24 of those at NIH. She works on a floor where children are evaluated for schizophrenia. Nancy hopes that one day the medical profession will make a difference in these children's lives. Her coworkers say she always gives "110 percent with some of the most challenging patients on our child psychiatry unit."

Sergio Bauza

3-West

Sergio works on a floor where making a difference can really be seen. He says that the staff makes a difference, not only with patients but also with the disease. Sergio's coworkers consider him "highly motivated, very enthusiastic and well liked by patients and staff."

Bernie Crago

4-East

Bernie says that after 44 years as a nurse she has a memorable experience with each new patient she cares for. She says it's nice to work with a patient from the beginning to

the end and to see improvement. Bernie has been a “dedicated NIH nurse for more than 30 years.” Her colleagues say she “offers a wealth of knowledge and works well with patients and psychiatric illnesses and is a wonderful mentor.”

4-Outpatient Nursing Staff

In spite of the fact that the 4-Outpatient nurses work with a varied patient population, they feel that it is their experiences that make them work well together, because they support each other.

Purita Villosio

4-West

Purita’s colleagues say she has had 40 years of dedicated service. She has been excellent with patients and coworkers.

Jenny Boyd

5-West

While in nursing school, Jenny remembers taking care of a dying patient in a nursing home. Jenny was able to stay with the patient while the patient was dying. She says she felt privileged and honored to be with the patient during this time because the patient’s family all but abandoned her. Jenny believes that one person really does make a difference. Her co-workers say she enjoys taking care of patients. She is “assertive, strong and a very dedicated patient advocate.”

David Spero

6-West

David says there is something rewarding about working on 6-West. The situation on the unit is not always gray and most times the outcome is good. He says it’s nice to know that he’s a part of that outcome. “David always has taken the time to assist others on the unit be it staff, patients and family members,” according to his fellow coworkers.

Denise McLaughlin

7-East

Denise has worked at NIH for the past 10 years. She remembers that during orientation she cared for a nurse who was suffering from end-stage heart failure. And even as the patient was dying, she continued her profession as a nurse educator with Denise as her student. Denise says instead of the patient feeling helpless, she felt useful. It was a win-win situation for everyone involved. Denise’s peers describe her as a “true professional who is dedicated to each patient, the unit, the Clinical Center, NIH, and all people in need.”

Noreen Giganti

8-East

Noreen has been a nurse for 22 years and has never regretted it. She loves what she does. Prior to being a nurse, she was a teacher. She still considers herself a teacher. Instead of teaching school children, she now teaches fellow nurses and patients. “A role model for role models” is how Noreen’s colleagues describe her. And, they say, she is a “leader on the floor.”

Margie Lloyd

8-Outpatient

Margie has been a nurse for 30 years. But, she says, her 13 years at NIH is unlike any other place she’s worked. She says she has collective memories of people she’s worked with, both staff and patients. She feels there is more teamwork and camaraderie at NIH. The work and spirit is dynamic and there is a conscious effort to promote quality care. Margie says there is an ability to learn on a daily basis. Margie is a “consummate professional and exemplifies what every nurse should strive to be,” according to her colleagues.

Wilma Zendel

8-West

Wilma says nursing skills are invaluable. She can remember, as an Army nurse, having to med-evac a burned child from Washington, D.C. to Boston. Her years of experience as a nurse were not in pediatrics, yet she was able to use her other nursing skills to help this child, who survived.

Wilma exhibits “flexibility, character, leadership skills, integrity, team spirit, and is an asset to our unit,” according to her coworkers.

Donna Hardwick
9-East

Donna says one of the reasons why she came to NIH was because nurses have more input into protocols and patient care, which is very important to her. Donna says she wanted to make a difference and knew NIH was the place to do that. Donna’s coworkers say she goes “above and beyond her duties.” They say, “she acts as a resource person.”

Gerri Bickerton
9-Outpatient

Some patients really impress Gerri. She describes a patient, who despite her bleak future, continued to be a caring individual, not only to her family and friends, but also the staff. The patient kept her dignity and compassion. She was a prime example of someone who really cared for others. Geri says she learned a lot from this patient. Gerri’s colleagues say she is “the calm in a stormy sea, an anchor in a safe harbor for us.” They say Geri “makes her presence known each day in very subtle ways.”

9-West Day Hospital Nursing Staff

As a team, the 9-West Day Hospital nursing staff works well together because they’re a small unit. They talk to one another, which they say is very important. They also try to have fun while working very hard and enjoy what they do at the same time.

Judith Lowitz
9-West

For Judith, communication between the nursing staff and patients is the most important thing. She says the staff is more appreciated by patients when they make themselves available. In her 18 years as a nurse, Judith says she has seen nurses make horrible situations better just by talking and listening. According to Judith’s peers, she goes “above

and beyond her duties.” She acts as a “resource person.”

Reginald Claypool
10-D Intensive Care Unit

Being a nurse has given Reginald an amazing ability to be involved with people, specifically their healthcare. Reginald says nursing is an extremely rewarding profession and is dynamic and productive. Reginald is a “most distinguished nurse,” according to his colleagues. “His approach to patients and their subsequent care are professional, kind, gentle and expert.”

10-Outpatient Nursing Staff

The 10-Outpatient nursing staff brings different strengths to their jobs and that is what makes them work well together.

Mary Leshko
11-East

Mary has been a nurse for 21 years. She remembers a patient who came in for an islet cell transplant who was a brittle diabetic. Mary says this patient is now completely recovered from her diabetes. She can eat anything she wants and doesn’t have to worry about high and low blood sugars. Mary says it was a team effort that led to the amazingly positive outcome of this patient’s diabetes. According to Mary’s coworkers, she is always ready to help others. She is very “efficient, knowledgeable and friendly to everyone around her.”

Patricia Aldridge
11-East Day Hospital

Patricia has been a nurse for 17 years, five of those at NIH. She remembers being part of a team of nurses on 11-West who were responsible for the care of a young woman who had a chronic disease with a poor prognosis. Patricia says they offered the patient not only quality patient care,

but more importantly, they provided her with the highest quality of life in order to make her final days happy and assist her in maintaining her integrity. Patricia says it was rewarding seeing the patient laugh and joke, even though she was suffering. Her coworkers say Patricia is a “superior nurse, a consummate professional and a total package of professionalism.”

Michael Masey
I I-Outpatient

For the past 17 years, Michael has worked at NIH. He says he enjoys working in the research world versus a usual hospital setting. He was a team member in one of the first clinical trials for AZT and he says it was an incredible experience. At NIH patients are treated with respect, which he says is very important. Michael’s peers say he goes about his business in a quiet way. He “pitches in to make the clinic staff and patients feel at home.”

Marilyn Mouer
I I-West

Marilyn says she made the decision to go into nursing more than 40 years ago after visiting her sister, also a nurse, who happened to be a patient in a hospital. It’s a decision she says she has never regretted. Marilyn says being able to help patients see the positive results of her work is invaluable. Marilyn’s colleagues describe her as someone who “exemplifies what we would all like to see in a nurse.” She is “informed, and always willing to share her knowledge.”

Val Fiorillo
I2-East

Val has been a nurse for eight years and has always loved the nursing profession. She says the nurses on her unit are incredibly compassionate, dedicated and most of all patient advocates. According to Val’s coworkers, she has been “consistently involved in the unit-based projects, initiating many herself.” She has been an “exemplary staff member.”

Peggy Shovlin
I2-Outpatient

When Peggy thinks back on her 11 years in nursing, one patient comes to mind. She was an artist who had breast cancer and was receiving Taxol treatments. Despite her illness, she would arrive at the unit for her treatments with a smile on her face. She would leave with her treatment in place; strap on her fanny pack and go paint a wall at a nursery school. Peggy says this patient truly loved life and was not going to let her terminal illness keep her from living. She was an inspiration. Peggy is an “integral part of the team on I2-Outpatient,” according to her coworkers. She is “always willing to help and learn.”

Sophia Grasmeder
I3-East/Outpatient Cancer Center

For more than 9 years, Sophia has been taking care of oncology patients. She remembers a patient who had lymphoma/HIV with little hope of recovery. Today, the patient is in complete remission. She believes this is possible only because of the nurse/physician team-approach. Sophie says that seeing this patient recover the way she did is one of the reasons why she became a nurse. Four simple words are how Sophia’s peers describe her: “hard working, team player.”

Alberta Aikin
I3-Outpatient

Alberta has been caring of patients for more than 40 years. She has been caring for pediatric patients at NIH for 11 years. She says children are so special that even when they’re sick, they’re still playful. Being able to share special times with sick children is what makes Alberta’s job special. Alberta’s peers say she is “consistently a superb performer in the clinic.”

Elizabeth Fenn**I3-West**

Elizabeth says pediatric nursing means more than just providing care to the patient. She says she is also providing psychosocial support to the patient's parents, siblings, grandparents, aunts, and all family members. Helping people cope with death and dying is very rewarding. Elizabeth provides "great patient care", according to her peers. She is "friendly, funny and caring." She provides "care with a smile."

Kay Anderson**Central Staffing Office**

Kay likes being a nurse because she likes to help people during their recovery process and making them feel well. According to Kay's peers, she is the "most versatile float nurse." She is very "professional and has a great personality."

Diane Vollberg**Diagnostic Labs**

Diane has only been working at the Clinical Center for a year; however, she has been a nurse for 26 years. She came to NIH for one reason – to be a part of history. She says her experience with patients with hypertrophic cardiomyopathy is invaluable. She says she is very proud to be working at the Clinical Center. Diane demonstrates "self-initiative." Her peers say they are "lucky to have her."

Kim House**Surgical Services**

Kim has been a nurse for more than 12 years. She recalls one Operating Room Nurses' Day celebration and going out into the community, to the middle and high schools, to recruit students to come and observe the Operating Room in progress. She says this was a big hit with the students and she plans on continuing the program in the future. Kim's colleagues say she "performs her job with excellence and knowledge."

Current Research Protocols

Institutional Review Board-Approved Studies

Title

A study comparing quality of life in patients undergoing a non-myeloablative versus a myeloablative peripheral blood stem cell transplant for hematological diseases.

Primary Investigator

Sue Marden, Ph.D., RN

Associate Investigators

M. Bevans, RN; P. Rivera RN; H. Mayberry RN; G. Cusack RN; J. Barrett, M.D; M. Bishop, MD; R. Gress, MD

Title

A study of health-related quality of life in HIV-infected patients undergoing structured treatment interruptions of highly active antiretroviral therapy.

Primary Investigator

Sue Marden, Ph.D., RN

Associate Investigators

R. McConnell, RN; A. Powers, RN; M. Lloyd RN; C. Campbell, RN; C. Koratich, RN; R. Bernard RN; R. Eckes, RN; I. Gordon, RN; D. Martell, RN; P. Aldridge, RN; M. Mehigan, RN; M. Paulsen, RN; S. Spisso, RN; F. Sundt, RN; K. McGilly RN; K. Wendell, RN; C. Yoder, RN; B. Barrick, RN; R. Davey, MD; M. Dybul, MD

Title

Health-related quality of life in patients with metastatic melanoma receiving vaccine alone or with high dose Interleukin-2 or subcutaneous Interleukin-2.

Primary Investigator

Sue Marden, Ph.D., RN

Associate Investigators

P. Muelbauer, RN; D. Kulp RN; S. Ganz RN; C. Seip RN; D. Schwartzentruber MD; S. Finklestein, MD

Title

Quality of life in chronic ischemic heart disease with left ventricular dysfunction.

Primary Investigator

Sue Marden, Ph.D., RN

Associate Investigators

C. Miller-Davis, MS, RN; V. Dilsizien, MD

Title

The role of a meticulous oral hygiene program in reducing oral assessment scores, dental plaque scores, and the colonization of dental plaque in a selected ICU population.

Primary Investigator

Jan Yates, MSN, RN

Associate Investigators

Sue Marden Ph.D., RN

Title

A randomized study evaluating the process and outcomes of the Pain and Palliative Care Team Interventions.

Primary Investigator

Gwenyth R. Wallen, Ph.D., RN

Associate Investigators

N. Ames, RN ; K. Jaques, RN; H. Masur, MD; Daniel Federko, MD; N. O'Grady, MD

Title

A pilot study evaluating the assessment process for constipation in pediatric oncology patients receiving Vinca Alkaloids and/or narcotics.

Primary Investigator

Myra Woolery-Antill, MN, RN

Associate Investigators

E. Carroll, RN; B. Corey, MSN, RN; E. Fenn, RN; R. Dagher, MD; P. Jarosinski, PharmD; M. Michael, MPH, RD; S. Steinberg, PhD; G. Wallen, PhD, RN

Exempt Studies**Title**

Exploring the effectiveness of a basic genetics course for healthcare providers that combine web-based and traditional face-to-face learning environments.

Primary Investigators

Jan Yates, MSN, RN

Gwenyth Wallen, Ph.D., RN

Associate Investigators

T. Cartledge, MS, RN; D. Riel, MS, RN; S. Parada RN; L. McCullagh, RN

Title

The Quality of Life experienced by patients undergoing allogeneic transplants: A Meta-analysis.

Primary Investigator

Margaret Bevans, MS, RN

Associate Investigator

S. Marden, Ph.D., RN

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Lloyd, M. (2001, March). *Defining Moments in Nursing. – A Retrospective View of the Nursing Profession, and the Current Trends in Recruitment*. Poster session presented at the Samuel Merritt College School of Nursing, Oakland, CA.

Lloyd, M., Martell, D., & Sundt, F. (2001, March). *Teaching HIV-Infected Outpatients Self-Administration of Subcutaneous Interleukin-2 and Strategies for Symptom Management*. Paper presented at the 13th National HIV/AIDS Update Conference, San Francisco, CA.

MuCullagh, L., Rudy, S.F., Gu, X-X., Lischynski, S., Kim, H.J., Van Waes, C. (2001). *Recruitment and Retention of Health Volunteers to a Phase I Otitis Media Vaccine Trial*. Poster session presented at the 25th SOHN Annual Congress and Nursing Symposium, Denver, CO.

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Muehlbauer, P. (2001, November). *Novel Therapies... What's in the Pipeline?* Paper presented at the 2nd Annual ONS Institutes of Learning, St. Louis, MO.

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Wallen, G. (2001, October). *Developing an Independent Portfolio of Nursing Research Through Collaboration*. Paper presented at the Greater Pittsburgh Thirteenth Annual Research Conference, Pittsburgh, PA.

Wendell, K.M., Powers, A., & Marden, S. (2001, November). *Navigating the Implementation Process of a Health-Related Quality of Life Research Study: A Team Approach*. Paper presented at the 14th Annual Conference of Association of Nurses in AIDS Care, Minneapolis, MN.

Public Health Service Honor Awards

LCDR Lois Young Outstanding Service Medal

This medal is presented in recognition of continuous outstanding leadership in carrying out the mission of the Public Health Service, or performance of a single accomplishment, which had a major effect on the health of the Nation.

CDR Laura Chisholm

CDR Diane Walsh

Achievement Medal

The Achievement Medal is presented for excellence in accomplishing a program's mission. This could be in recognition of the advancement of program objectives, or sustained above-average dedication to duty over a relatively short period of time.

LT Alicia Bradford

LT Kimberly J. Elenberg

LCDR Patricia N. Garzone

LCDR Chad W. Koratich

LTJG Christine O'Connor

LCDR Rosa Clark

LCDR Victoria Oboczky

PHS Citation Medal

The outstanding Unit Citation is awarded to officers of a unit that exhibits superior service toward achieving the goals and objectives of the Public Health Service.

LCDR Kim R. Brathwaite

LT Philantha Montgomery

LCDR Beverly Smith

LCDR Lisa Barnhart

CDR Sherry Meyers

LTJG Alexis Mosquera

LT Leigh Matheny

Commendation Medal

The Commendation Medal is presented for a level of proficiency and dedication distinctly greater than that expected of the average officer. This medal recognizes: sustained high-quality work achievement in scientific, administrative or other professional fields.

LT Felicia A. Andrews

LCDR Barbara A. Fuller

LCDR Akua O. Kwatema

LT Lisa M. Marunycz

LCDR Kristen E. McCabe

LCDR Rosemary E. McConnell

LCDR Lucienne D. Nelson

LT Kathy Wendell

Unit Commendation**(For participation in Call-Back Program)**

The Unit Commendation acknowledges an outstanding accomplishment by a designated organizational unit within the Public Health Service that has demonstrated a significant level of performance well above that normally expected.

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LT Alicia Bradford

LCDR Kim Brathwaite

LTJG Nicole Chamberlain

LCDR Peter Christianson

LCDR Rosa Clark

CDR Reginald Claypool

CDR Maria Dinger

LT Jenny Doan

LT Irene Dustin

LT Kimberly Elenberg

LCDR Andrew Estes

LCDR Barbara Fuller

LCDR Patricia Garzone

CDR Annie Gilchrist

CDR Lenora Jones

LCDR Chad Koratich

LCDR Akua Kwatemaa

LCDR Melissa Law

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CDR Katherine Matrakas

LCDR Kristen McCabe

LCDR Rosemary McConnell

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LCDR Lucienne Nelson

LCDR Genise Nixon

LCDR Victoria Oboczky

LTJG Christine O'Connor

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LCDR Beverly Smith

CDR Maryellen Tolbert

LCDR Karen Vorsteg

LCDR Susannah Wargo

LT Katherine Wendell

LCDR Lois Young

Civil Service Length of Service Awards

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10 Years

**Joyce Almquist
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Larry Bauer
Paulette Box
Kristie Broberg
Tammy Daley
Maureen Demar
Mary Ehrmantraut
Alan Fitzgerald
Susan Gantz
Ingelise Gordon
Wayne Griffin
Madeline Gupta
Deborah Gutierrez
Susan Hale
Olanda Hathaway
Brenda Hausman
Cynthia Herringa**

**Corin Kelly
Lois Kovac
Marsha Kravitz
Kathryn Landicho
Cathleen Lawrence
Teresa McHugh
Susan Metz
Christine Muir
Effie Nomicos
Magdalena Padua
Sheila Phang
Javii Pittman
Gina Rowe
Nanette Schell
Pamela Stoll
Kelly Stevens
Gwendolyn Turner
Antoinette Wellington**

20 Years

**Liccy Clavell
Judith Ann Colgan
Bernice Fang
Kathryn Feigenbaum
Cheryl Fisher
Susan Fitzgerald
Christopher Geyer
Susan Johnson
Thomas Lionetti
Sandra MacDonald
Frances Myers
Suzan Parada
Ann Rutt**

30 Years

Sandra Bowles

Commissioned Corps Length of Service Awards

2 0 0 1

10 Years

**Akua Kwatema
Kim Brathwaite**

20 Years

Carol Romano

Warren Grant Magnuson Clinical Center

2001 Director's Annual Awards

Nursing and Patient Care Services Department

The Nursing and Patient Care Services department folded their recognition ceremony into the Clinical Center Director's Annual Awards ceremony for the first time in 2001. We are pleased to recognize these nurses who were honored at the 2001 Director's Awards ceremony by Dr. John Gallin, NIH Clinical Center Director.

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